

NEW FIRM.—We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Messrs. BLACKBURN & GAINES, which appears in our paper this morning. Mr. Blackburn is now on east selecting an entire new stock of goods, and from his well known taste and experience in this line, we feel confident that their assortment, will surpass variety and quality, any ever offered before in this city. Both gentlemen are well known in this vicinity, and bear a high reputation for urbanity and business capacity, and we can assure the ladies who may patronize the establishment that they can procure any article, usually kept in their line, and upon very advantageous terms. We commend the new firm to the public, with our heartiest wishes for their success.

CIT may be considered little remarkable that the first victim of the Know Nothing prescription in Philadelphia is a woman. Miss Mary McCune, for many years one of the most popular and estimable teachers in the public schools in that city, has been removed from her employment by the Know Nothing directors for the simple and only reason that her father was born in Ireland, and that she worships in a Catholic church. The destructive and proscriptive spirit of Know Nothingness knows neither age nor sex. It strikes down alike young children and helpless women, if they or their fathers do not come up to their standard of excellence. How long public opinion will tolerate such bigotry remains to be seen.

THAT world-renowned novelist, G. P. R. James, Esq., is out with a new novel, "Ticonderoga," it is the first fruits of his sojourn in this country. Our readers should go to Messrs. Morton & Griswold and get it, to see how his majestic pen evokes up the scenes and characters of our native land.

THE noticed, in our last, Col. De Korpony's Grand Prize Ball, which came off on Tuesday night at the Capitol Hotel, but were unable to get a list of the recipients of the prizes. They are as follows: The most valuable prize was awarded to Mrs. E. T. of Lexington. Of his Louisville class Miss A. O. Jacobs received the first prize, Miss E. Pope the second, Miss F. Pratt the third. Of his Frankfort class Miss M. Barnley received the first, Miss B. Hord second, Miss Keenan third, Miss Comstock fourth, Miss Lindsey fifth, Miss Gray sixth, Miss Bachelor seventh, Miss Hunt eighth, and Miss Hoffner the ninth. Of the young Gents, Master F. Price received first prize, J. Watson second, Lindsey third, J. Todd fourth. Of Lexington pupils: Miss M. B. Johnson first, Miss M. Smith second, Miss N. Johnson third, Miss M. Ely fourth, Miss E. Tilford fifth, Miss Ervin sixth, Miss Chiles seventh. Young Gents.—M. Johnson first prize. Of Georgetown: Miss L. Johnson first prize. Master D. Johnson first prize.

What is tame to a heart yearning for affection and finding it not! It is like the vicer's wrath to him who is parched with fever, and longing for the one cooling draught—the cup of cold water.

THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT—BLOCKS FOR PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS.—One of the Boston papers says that the friends of the late John S. Skinner propose to testify their respect for his public services and personal worth by raising \$6,000, of which \$5,000 is to be presented to his widow, and \$1,000, employed in placing a block inscribed to his memory in the Washington Monument. The latter part of the proposition will probably fall through, as will a similar design to have a stone for Zadock Pratt, of New York, in the Washington Monument. We trust that there is a sufficient amount of common sense in the board of Directors of the Monuments to prevent the accomplishment of any such design as that above mentioned. The Monument is to be erected to Washington not to John S. Skinner or Zadock Pratt, and the proposition is in very bad taste, to say the least. If the friends of these individuals desire to perpetuate their memories, there are plenty of ways to accomplish the object, without outraging the feelings of nine-tenths of the people, who think—and rightly think—that this monument should be sacred to Washington, and to him alone—no other person, however distinguished being permitted to share in the testimonial.

From the Louisville Democrat.

AWFUL CALAMITY!

FRIGHTFUL HURRICANE.—TWENTY PERSONS KILLED—FIFTEEN OR TWENTY OTHERS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED—A CHURCH AND SEVERAL HOUSES IN RUINS—ONE HUNDRED BUILDINGS UNROOFED AND OTHERWISE INJURED—ACCIDENTS TO THOSE RESCUING THE VICTIMS

Twelve o'clock, August 27th, 1854, will long be remembered as a terrible epoch in the history of Louisville.

With that hour came death to many persons assembled in the house of God, engaged in worship, and destruction to a vast amount of property in the city.

One of the most violent storms which has ever swept over this section of Kentucky left its dreadful footprints in the city yesterday. After a severe drought of many weeks duration, the sky, early in the day, indicated rain. The clouds gathered, and we had what persons, not within the reach of the tornado accompanying it, would call a thunder shower. But within the reach of its sweeping breath was the Third Presbyterian Church, corner of Eleventh and Walnut streets, which it completely wrecked—blowing

from a westwardly direction, the entire building fell in, roof, rafters, brick walls and all, crushing some twenty of the congregation to instant death, and wounding seriously, perhaps mortally, some ten or twelve others. The scene is described as most heart-rending. A large crowd assembled, and began their search for the victims, a mother and her three children were grouped in death; another present a father, mother and babe—the father dead, the mother mortally wounded, while their little child, placed beneath them, escaped injury, protected by the forms, of its parents. In other instances some of the victims were found terribly bruised and maimed. The catastrophe has struck consternation into the very heart of the city, and its people are appalled beyond belief. The following is a list of killed and wounded:

KILLED.

Mrs. Vildabe and three children, residence corner of Tenth and Green streets.

Mr Taylor and child, residence on Chestnut between Thirteenth and Fourteenth.

Mr Godfrey, residence on Thirteenth, between Madison and Chestnut.

Mrs Salisbury, wife of Mr. Salisbury, city pump maker, residence on Ninth street, between Walnut and Chestnut.

Miss Headley, aged about eleven years, residence on Fifteenth street.

Jno. McGowan, residence on Market, between Ninth and Tenth.

Mr Sweeney, carpenter, residence corner of Eighth and Broadway.

Mrs Martin, wife of John N. Martin, residence not known.

Mrs Wicks, wife of Capt. Wm. Wicks, residence not known.

Niece of Mrs. Martin, residence not known.

Mr. Harbour, residence on Ninth, between Magazine street and Broadway.

Mr. McLelland, of the Kentucky Locomotive Works, residence not known.

Mr. R. Davis, residence, New Albany.

Mr. McBride and child, residence on Walnut, between Eleventh and Twelfth.

It is thought that one, or probably two others, were killed, whose names we have not learned.

WOUNDED.

Mrs. Taylor, wife of Mr. Taylor, who was killed and child. Both severely.

Miss Duff, residence on Eighth street, between Walnut and Chestnut; three ribs broken, and otherwise injured. Will probably recover.

Mrs Pennebaker, wife of Mr. Pennebaker, City Councilman from the Sixth Ward; slightly injured.

Mrs. Morsell, dangerously injured. No hopes of recovery.

Miss Morsell, aged eighteen years; severely injured, but will probably recover.

Mrs. H. Witt and child, residence on Market street, between Ninth and Tenth. Badly hurt, will recover.

Wm. Hagan, of the Eighth ward police sergeant injured.

Mr. Lealley, bricklayer, had an eye knocked out while efforts were being made to rescue him from ruins.

Miss Cooper, severely injured.

It is known that some twenty other persons were injured, but we were unable to ascertain their names.

Courier held inquests upon some of the victims, among whom was Alexander McLelland, a gentleman recently from New York city, who was engaged at the Kentucky Locomotive Works. His person was found still in good condition.

Upon the body of Mr. Sweeney, another victim, was found a purse containing \$50.

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BALTIMORE, Aug. 23.—New Or. as per 1st of Saturday have been received.

The Savannah Courier informs that the yellow fever prevails as an epidemic, and will form organization of the Howard Association and daily reports of the board of health.

At Charleston they have published a list of the yellow fever cases, and with a few exceptions, they have occurred at Lazaretto and among their shipping. The total number last week were 34, which were by yellow fever.

The steamboat *Sylvestra*, which capsized at the mouth of the Mississippi, The Captain and thirty others perished.

There was a fire at Palermo in the 3d, which destroyed the church, St. Anne, and twelve houses.

The Russian press, reported by the previous mail, of a fire at a French planter in Varna, Russia, was the big story. On October 115 days from Paris.

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Capt. Greenlaw's new steamer, "New Memphis," lying at the lower end of what, between Sixth and Seven streets, was a most complete wreck. The cabin, which was the inward state of completion, was blown entirely off, and cast into the river, near Corn Island.—The boat was also blown over to the Island, and much injured. It is thought that it will take \$5,000 to repair the damages to the boat.—This steamer, it will be remembered, made a very narrow escape from destruction by fire, about two or three weeks ago.

The new steamer W. Farmer, the Collier, and one or two other boats, were blown from their moorings, and lodged on the rocks, opposite the foot of Fifth street. They all succeeded in getting off, however, without sustaining much injury.

The splendid block of four story houses, recently erected on the north side of Main street, between eighth and ninth, were completely destroyed and it is thought that two or three men were buried in the ruins. These buildings were considered to be the most substantial ones in the city, the walls being of great thickness, and well put up. They were owned Robert Beatty, Esq., Messrs. Wright & Bridgford, and were erected at a cost \$1,000. We learn that the shock produced by the falling of these buildings, was fearful in the extreme, and caused great consternation in the vicinity, many supposing that it was an earthquake.

The upper story of the extensive Pope and Bagging Factory of W. A. Richardson, & Co., on Magazine street, between eleventh and twentieth streets, was blown down, and portions of it carried a distance of several hundred yards. We were unable to ascertain the amount of loss, but presume it will be several thousand dollars.

The new city School House, at the corner of ninth and Magazine streets, was unroofed, and portions of the tin roofing carried a distance of three hundred yards. A large piece, which looked like it would weigh two or three tons, fell into a yard, about two hundred yards distant. The damage to the School House will amount to six or eight hundred dollars.

The Medical College, on Chestnut street, between eighth and ninth, was un-injured.

The residence of Mr. John S. Skinner, on the corner of ninth and Magazine, was completely unroofed.

The beautiful family residence of Col. Wm. Riddle, on Kentucky street, between eighth and ninth, was unroofed.

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The residence of Mr. Joseph Lillie, on Tenth street, between Magazine and Chestnut, was un-injured; a portion of the back part of the building was blown down.

The back part of the German Protestant Orphan Asylum, on Jefferson street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth, was unroofed.

Two small brick houses on Twentieth street, between Jefferson and grayson, were unroofed; one belonged to Mr. Short, and the other to Mrs.

Nugent. Mrs. Nugent was asleep in her house when the accident occurred but singular to say, escaped unharmed.

A row of twenty-one brick cottages, on Kentucky street, belonging to Messrs. Cochran and Musselman, were all completely unroofed. A little boy, whose name we did not learn, was killed by the falling of pieces of timber.

Many other houses were injured, which we have not space to specify this morning. Trees were felled in every part of the city, most of them below Sixth street.

We are informed that in Sappington and Portland, the storm was very high, and no damage of consequence was sustained.

There was a jar in the city last night, that a church in New Albany was struck by lightning, and a large number of persons scalded; but we could trace the report to no reliable source.

We understand that the storm was very severe in Jeffersonville, and that three or four houses were blown down.

JOHN MITCHELL AND ARCHBISHOP HUGHES.—Archbishop Hughes is famous for his newspaper controversies. He has, at least, one or two every year. He seems to enjoy the exercise. His last piece of recreation in this line was a series of anonymous letters to a newspaper who certainly did not have the best it. In one of these letters, finally acknowledged by the Bishop, he administered some smart cuffs over Mr. Mitchell's shoulder. To the saying are specimens.

Mr. Mitchell is the first person who made the magnificent discovery in military tactics that a good plan would be to bring a virulent iron to the base of all Dublin houses more than one story high on the passage by in the streets, without inquiring whether the fiery liquid should fall on the friend or the enemy of his country.

Mr. Mitchell is a Irish patriot who, it is said, had a good plantation in Alabama, well stocked with fat negroes, would treat them as beasts with the utmost humanity, and this we say on the strength of our own opinion, though we have not always known Irishmen to have as much as that in their nature.

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